104TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 2167

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 2, 1995

Mr. Jefferson introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

1 SECTION 1. LIMITATION ON REDUCTIONS IN BENEFITS

- 2 FOR SPOUSES AND SURVIVING SPOUSES RE-
- 3 CEIVING GOVERNMENT PENSIONS.
- 4 (a) Wife's Insurance Benefits.—Section
- 5 202(b)(4)(A) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
- 6 402(b)(4)(A)) is amended by striking "an amount equal
- 7 to two-thirds of" and inserting "the amount (if any) by
- 8 which the sum of such benefit (before reduction under this
- 9 paragraph) and", and by inserting "exceeds \$1,200," be-
- 10 fore "if".
- 11 (b) Husband's Insurance Benefits.—Section
- 12 202(c)(2)(A) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 402(c)(2)(A)) is
- 13 amended by striking "an amount equal to two-thirds of"
- 14 and inserting "the amount (if any) by which the sum of
- 15 such benefit (before reduction under this paragraph)
- and", and by inserting "exceeds \$1,200," before "if".
- 17 (c) Widow's Insurance Benefits.—Section
- 18 202(e)(7)(A) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 402(e)(7)(A)) is
- 19 amended by striking "an amount equal to two-thirds of"
- 20 and inserting "the amount (if any) by which the sum of
- 21 such benefit (before reduction under this paragraph)
- and", and by inserting "exceeds \$1,200," before "if".
- 23 (d) Widower's Insurance Benefits.—Section
- 24 202(f)(2)(A) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 402(f)(2)(A)) is
- 25 amended by striking ''an amount equal to two-thirds of''
- 26 and inserting "the amount (if any) by which the sum of

- 1 such benefit (before reduction under this paragraph)
- 2 and", and by inserting "exceeds \$1,200," before "if".
- 3 (e) Mother's and Father's Insurance Bene-
- 4 FITS.—Section 202(g)(4)(A) of such Act (42 U.S.C.
- 5 402(g)(4)(A)) is amended by striking "an amount equal
- 6 to two-thirds of" and inserting "the amount (if any) by
- 7 which the sum of such benefit (before reduction under this
- 8 paragraph) and", and by inserting "exceeds \$1,200," be-
- 9 fore "if".

10 SEC. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

- 11 The amendments made by section 1 shall apply with
- 12 respect to monthly insurance benefits payable under title
- 13 II of the Social Security Act for months after December
- 14 1995.

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